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## Soviets say Gorbachev is a good compromise

MOSCOW — Mikhail S. Gorbachev is drawing unprecedented attacks from all shades of reds at a turbulent Communist Party congress, but even his critics say they will vote to keep him in the top party job.

The 28th Congress of the Soviet Communist Party is expected to elect the party general secretary before it adjourns sometime next week, and the smart rubles are riding on Gorbachev, who first won the job five years ago.

Hard-liners and radical reformers are gravitating toward Gorbachev because both sides believe only he can prevent the disintegration of the party.

Some more philosophical delegates also say that despite Gorbachev's reforms, the party seems to have room at the top for just one major figure.

## Colombian assault rifle traced to Israeli dealer

NEW YORK — An assault rifle seized in the arrest of four suspected assassins of a Colombian presidential candidate has been traced by U.S. authorities to an Israeli arms shipment, New York Newsday reported Wednesday.

The Galil rifle is not believed to be the actual murder weapon in the Aug. 18 assassination, allegedly by drug traffickers, of Luis Carlos Galan, the newspaper said.

Israel has maintained it does not know how the weapons from the shipment of 500 Galil rifles and Uzi machine pistols ended up in the hands of the late Colombian drug boss Jose Rodriguez Gacha.

## Bush proposes only using nuclear arms as last resort

KENNEBUNKPORT, Maine — President Bush left last night for the NATO summit in London with a package of proposals, including one on revamping nuclear strategy, that he says are being favorably received by the allies.

The president is taking to London a series of proposals dealing with how to restructure the North Atlantic Treaty Organization in the face of the declining threat from the Soviet Union and its Eastern European allies.

Officials have said Bush is proposing use of nuclear weapons only as a last resort, contrary to NATO's basic doctrine since 1967 holding that nuclear weapons use would not be ruled out if the allies were confronted with an invasion by superior conventional forces.

## South Africans suspend plans to kill 80,000 seals

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — The government said today it was temporarily suspending plans to kill 30,000 seals to produce dog food and aphrodisiacs after protests from environmentalists around the world.

Environment Minister Gert Kotze said he was suspending the culling to study public reaction to plans to kill 25,000 seal cubs and 5,000 adult male seals on the northwest coast.

— from Associated Press reports

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# GSU fights to minimize budget cuts

By KELLY THOMPSON  
Editor

Members of Graduate Students United prepared a plan to fight proposed state budget cuts, including a major campaign in the General Assembly next year, at an emergency meeting June 28.

"The only way out... is a tax increase, and that won't happen this year. In this legislative session, no claim, no matter how good it is, will be filled," GSU Co-chairman Joel Sipress told about 20 students.

"Talking to the legislature this session is primarily an exercise in damage reduction. But there is some hope for next year," he said.

GSU estimates up to 150 teaching

assistants could be laid off if the General Assembly cuts 3 percent of the University's funding. That percentage would take about \$1.3 million out of the College of Arts and Sciences budget.

Jerry Bradshaw, Sipress' co-chairman, said the group should work this summer to draw publicity to the cuts, network with other campuses, lobby primary and secondary educators, inform undergraduates and improve the dialogue between the GSU and the General Administration of the UNC system.

"We have gone through the channels on this campus, and we have gone to

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# Officials say cuts will 'bleed' UNC services

By KELLY THOMPSON  
Editor

Although they will not know the exact amount for several weeks, University administrators agreed budget cuts proposed by the General Assembly will have a "significant negative impact" on support services, facilities and teaching materials as well as class size and offerings.

"They keep telling us to cut the fat, but the fat was gone three years ago. Now they're cutting muscle, bone and we're bleeding fast," said Donald Boulton, vice chancellor for student affairs.

"Everyone is bleeding, but nobody can yell. It's hard to make a dramatic case."

Boulton predicted the full impact of the cuts would not be felt until students

return for fall semester. "We will have to hang up signs saying 'Welcome back, but the following courses and services will not be offered due to circumstances beyond our control.'"

"When students come back and read the headlines saying 'these classes are canceled,' they'll get the message, but it will be too late," he said.

James Govan, University librarian, said any reduction would cause serious damage because the library system has been losing buying power for several years.

"Given the inflation in book prices and rise in the minimum wage for students, any cuts would have a serious effect," he said. "I think it's clear we're going to have to cut hours. It's also clear that acquisitions of books and journals



## Carrying the torch

Susan Ross, Winkie LaForce, Carrboro Mayor Eleanor Kinnaird, Chapel Hill Mayor Jonathan Howes and Chapel Hill police officer David Woody (l to r) observe the opening of the State Games June 28 on Franklin Street.

DTH/Dave Laxton

# UNC literacy program forms national coalition

By CHIP SUDDERTH  
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Student Coalition for Action in Literacy Education, a new inter-campus organization founded by UNC students, formed a plan of action during its first Board of Directors' meeting last weekend, according to SCALE leaders.

"What came from the meeting was concrete direction, a broadening of our vision for SCALE," said Lisa Madry, Madry and Clay Thorp are SCALE's co-directors, and have also served as co-chairs of UNC's Project Literacy.

Thorp said Project Literacy's success inspired them to investigate literacy programs on other campuses.

"Literacy is a means to social justice," Thorp said. "Back in spring '89, Lisa and I thought, 'we've done this and been successful; are there other students experiencing this?'"

They sent out 981 surveys in conjunction with the Campus Outreach Opportunity League (COOL). The 150 surveys returned indicated students who tried to work with community education programs were often unable to adjust their schedules to their literacy program's needs.

Madry and Thorp attended the International Reading Association's North American Conference on Adult and Adolescent Literacy in January. Then

their plans for SCALE crystallized.

"Based on our exposure there and the interest they expressed in what we were all about, that was what gave us the idea that it would take off. We saw that there would be a need for a group like SCALE," Madry said.

Thorp said that SCALE's role is to increase literacy by enhancing student involvement in college literacy education. SCALE seeks to network and share information with college students, and provide startup information for fledgling groups on other campuses.

Zenobia Hatcher-Wilson, director of the Campus Y and an ex-officio mem-

ber of the SCALE Board of Directors, said, "I think that the board meeting was a very good thing in helping us to focus on the immediate future of SCALE."

She also praised the Board of Directors' membership. "I was impressed by the diversity in composition of the board, so their work will be truly representative of the population at large. It was good to see that the co-directors will be more representative of the literacy community."

A key component of SCALE will be a Peer Consulting Network. By February 1991, SCALE seeks to hire 15 regional Peer Consultants, each of them

either enrolled students or recent graduates.

"In February, we'll train them here in general ideas about literacy and what it is, share experiences...try to educate them on who the players [key literacy educators] are in each community," Thorp said.

A statewide literacy coalition is also in the works. "It's a project we're developing over the next semester," Madry said. "We're going to examine ways of building a coalition of groups across the state."

"We'll probably have a statewide

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# Area focuses on gay rights

## Gay and Lesbian Pride March draws 2,000 participants

By CAMERON TEW  
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Approximately 2,000 gay rights advocates from across North Carolina marched down Franklin Street through Chapel Hill and Carrboro calling for equal rights for homosexuals June 30.

The lesbians, gay men, their families and supporters were participating in the Fifth Annual North Carolina Lesbian and Gay Pride March. This was the first time the march was held in Chapel Hill, and organizers said it was the largest and most vocal of the state's pride marches yet.

Mandy Carter, a co-coordinator of the rally "Marching into the Gay 90s," said she was pleased with the outcome of the rally.

"We had a large turnout, and more importantly we had a lot of support from the non-gay and lesbian population," she said. "I think people are less nervous and are willing to be more supportive. This contributed to the success of the rally."

Carter said the march helped focus on needs and rights of homosexuals and could be compared to civil and women's rights movements. "We get one day a

year to do that," she said, emphasizing the march took place in June, International Gay and Lesbian Pride Month.

She added that another aim of the march was to gather support to defeat Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., in the upcoming election. "He is probably one of the most outspoken politicians against gay and lesbian rights in the nation, and this election year is important for gay and lesbian rights in the state."

Carter is the director of Senate Vote '90, a political action committee dedi-

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## Attitudes and feelings toward homosexuals improve

By CAMERON TEW  
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Homosexuality is a more open and discussed subject than 10 years ago, and this has helped to ease some of the tension and mistrust against gays and lesbians, according to local homosexuals.

The chronic acquired immune deficiency syndrome, more commonly known as AIDS, has made it easier for heterosexuals to talk about and attempt to understand homosexuals' lifestyles, said Pippa Holloway, a 1990 UNC graduate and former co-chairwoman of the Carolina Gay and Lesbian Association (CGLA).

"A lot more people know about gays because of AIDS, but this could have brought more hatred," she said.

Joe Herzenberg, Chapel Hill council member, said there had been a backlash against gays by right-wing politicians and people because of AIDS, but "by and large people are more open than years ago."

He said events like the 1990 Lesbian and Gay Pride March have been helpful in getting the issue out in the public's eye. "The local newspapers were competing to see who could get the best front-page story," he said, referring to the march. "A few years ago things like this were confined to the back pages."

Holloway said the approval of a hate crimes bill by the U.S. Congress is also bringing the subject out in the open. She said this is the first time lesbians and gays have ever been mentioned. The bill allows for the individual counting

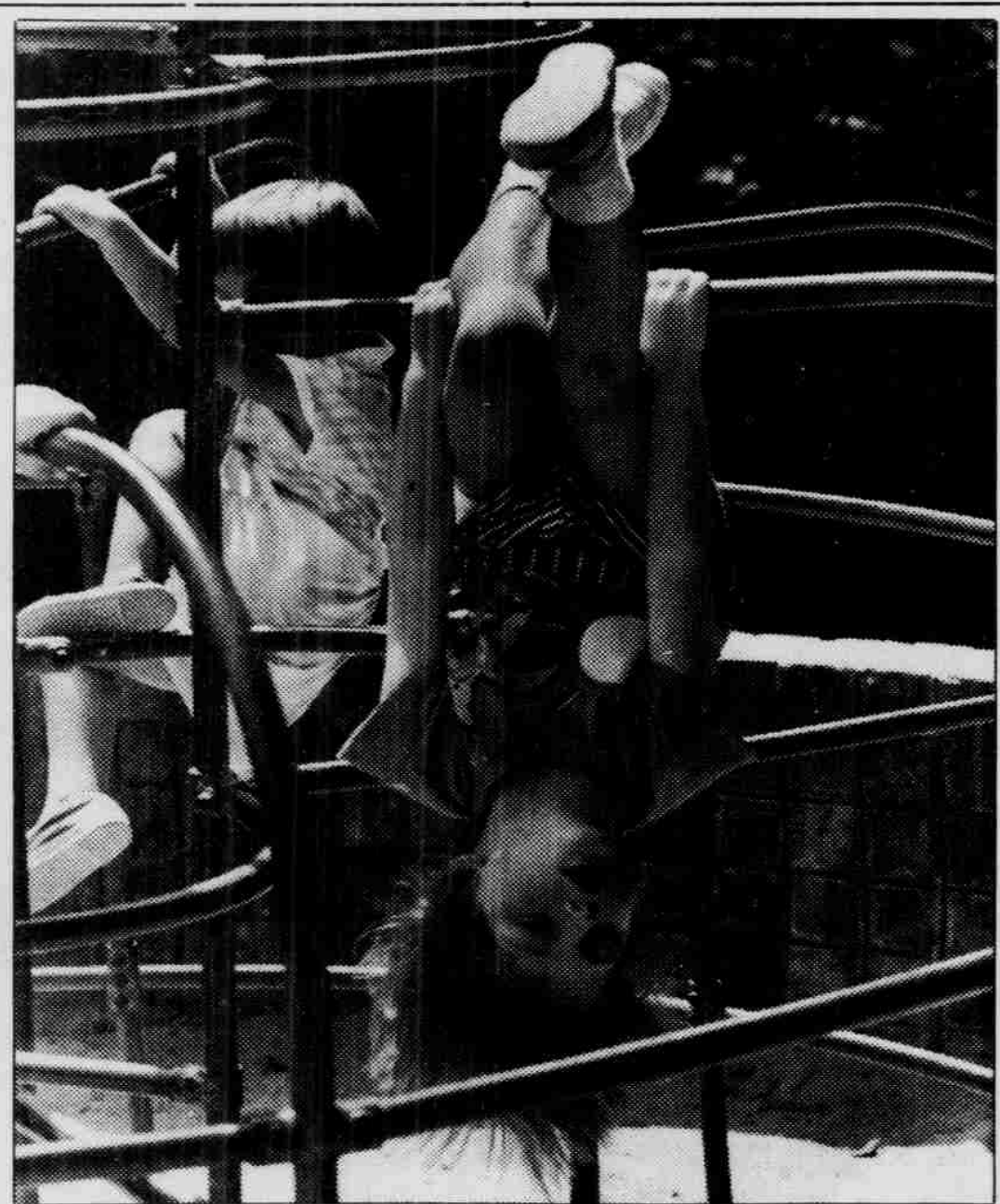
of crimes involving gay violence, as well as racial and religious crimes.

"This is recognition on a national level and people will talk about us and not always be negative and that is a good sign," she said.

David Jones of the N.C. AIDS Service Coalition, a support group for AIDS patients, said the gay community's effective response to AIDS helped change political attitudes toward the gay community.

"Early on, politicians held back because they disapproved of homosexuals and IV drug users, but this is changing because the gay community has done a tremendous service in bringing people together," he said.

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## Hanging around

Nikki Angeli, 4-year-old resident of Chapel Hill, plays on the jungle gym at Umstead Park. Angeli is a participant in the city's day camp.

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God bless this microwave bounty. — Homer Simpson